

RED CROSS CHRISTMAS DRIVE GREAT AND GLORIOUS FINISH

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT ALIVE IN BRAINERD

Everyone Seems Willing to Give to the Red Cross Membership Drive and Doing So

Now Confidently Expected that the Drive will "Go Over the Top" with a Great Hurrah

NOTES OF THE DRIVE
"Ohho Skinny, Crow Wing county is goin' over, I betcha!" Clarkson says he can talk Red Cross before the U. S. Senate if necessary.

The publicity man can not use anything but a red pencil these days. He "used to use" a blue one, however. The press has been more than ready and willing with the publicity end of the drive. Hoffbauer is SOME head-writer. The widow's mite goes as far as the rich man's dollar these days. It's the spirit of giving that counts.

Here's a pill from Crow Wing county for Bill's Xmas soup. Hats off to the country districts. The farmer's heart is right when he knows a movement is worthy. The Boy Scouts, Young America, is on the firing line. Oak Lawn raised \$44.00 in less than four minutes last night.

The Red Cross uniform is very becoming to a pretty girl. The Ransford hotel windows look like a prize winner at a quilting bee. Great work by the commercial men, that. The schools are right up on their toes and the children doing their bit nobly.

It goes down in history as the biggest, most popular and for one of the most worthy causes in the history of the city and county.

It's easy to sell good goods. Also easy to write copy about a worthy movement. (Thirty)

It has been SOME day in Brainerd and the close of the big Red Cross Xmas membership drive is bound to be a great and glorious finish.

Did anyone "get by" the solicitors today? If he did, he is entitled to all the satisfaction he can obtain by so doing, for if ever a city was most thoroughly canvassed that city is Brainerd, "in the heart of the state," if you please.

Not to give away any secrets or spell Chairman Clarkson's fun when all the noses have been counted but—let it be said (in secret) that this city is assured of as near the 1,500 membership mark set for it as it is possible to reach and not stop the dial on 1500. In fact, it looks as if we might go—enough, let Clarkson tell it himself.

The Xmas Spirit.

The Xmas spirit is alive in Brainerd today. Everyone is giving, willing to do it and anxious to be enrolled as a Red Cross booster. In the stores, on the streets, everywhere, pretty Red Cross girls in uniform, Boy Scouts and solicitors are keen on the trail of visitors and local people alike and they are meeting a cheerful smile and a prompt response with the dollar.

"Beat Him to it." A prominent local barber remarked to an old gentleman in the chair that he had not been solicited thus far, but was willing to contribute. "I'll advise the committee," remarked the

old gentleman. And he did, but—too late. The barber had "beat him to it," to use the parlance of the street and already paid in his dollar when the old gentleman laboriously climbed the Y. M. C. A. steps and offered the name of the barber as a good prospect.

Photos Taken. A photo was taken this morning of the Ransford hotel windows, where service flags have been placed by liberal travelers who have taken out memberships in the Red Cross, and a group photo of Red Cross girls, committee workers and the Boy Scouts was taken in front of headquarters at the Y. M. C. A. This photo will be used in publicity work by the special committee and should prove a telling "exhibit A" of the big drive in Brainerd.

Clarkson "Going Some." Paul Clarkson, chairman of the committee in charge of the big drive is "going some" these last days of the campaign.

Yesterday he visited Crosby and Ironton, spoke at the two theatres in those places and also addressed the Home Guards in the armory at Crosby.

Not to be outdone by her husband, Mrs. Clarkson took her car, two Red Cross girls in uniform, the Misses Kreuger and Dr. I. C. Edwards of the special campaign committee and visited the schools in Oak Lawn township, district 44, where Xmas exercises were held.

Oak Lawn Liberal. They were given a cordial reception and the campaign boosters brought back \$44.00 with them representing that many Red Cross memberships. Mrs. Angus Murray and Lawrence McCulloch were named as special committee chairmen to be in charge of the campaign in Oak Lawn township until the drive is over.

Last week, Brainerd people attended the exercises given by the Oak Leaf Literary club and suggested that the Red Cross movement be given attention. The results of last evening indicate that the seed fell on receptive ground.

County Awake.

The country is certain to make a great showing when the final count is taken. Outside branches and chapters of the Red Cross are hard at work and next week will be a busy one with the listing of memberships and auditing of the returns. A full statement will be made public through the press as soon as it can be compiled.

Open Tonight

Headquarters will be kept open this evening until 9 o'clock and all who care to pay in their membership dollar will be welcome.

Extra clerks are at work listing names, Red Cross boosters are calling with words of encouragement and commendation and the Y. M. C. A. is as busy a place as can be found in the city just now.

Monday, the day before Xmas and the close of the drive, will see a let-up in the rush for memberships, although the office will be open until a late hour and returns from the county be received by phone.

A telegram will be sent to headquarters Monday night, giving the

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MISS ESTHER CLEVELAND

Daughter of former president to wed son of nobleman.



The engagement has just been announced of Esther, daughter of Grover Cleveland, to Captain Bosanquet, of the Cold Stream guards. Captain Bosanquet, a son of Sir Albert Bosanquet, has been decorated with the distinguished service order. Miss Cleveland came to London in June of last year, after having qualified as a nurse and instructor of the blind, and took up work as a volunteer at St. Dunstan's home for blinded soldiers.

Wilson Orders Committee to Hear Hoover

Washington, Dec. 22—The senate sugar probing committee again refused Herbert Hoover an immediate hearing to answer the serious charges against the sugar administration. President Wilson ordered the committee to hear Hoover and the committee reversed itself. Mr. Hoover submitted a lengthy typewritten statement in which he claimed his action prevented sugar soaring to 20 cents a pound.

Germany Denies Renewal of Her Peace Offers

(By United Press)
Amsterdam, Dec. 22—It is reported here that Germany semi-officially denies the reports that she will repeat her peace offers.

Part of Sammies will Have Turkey for Christmas

(By United Press)
With the American Armies in France, Dec. 22—Part of the Sammies will have turkey and mince pie for Christmas in spite of the fact that the Christmas shipment has not arrived, the quartermaster's department announcing sufficient supplies to feed 100,000, and French supplies will be borrowed. Headquarters has reversed the ruling permitting the Sammies to cable Christmas greetings, the regular high commercial rate being charged soldiers as the low rate temporarily in force has been suspended.

No Intervention in Russia by the Jap Government

(By United Press)
Tokio, Dec. 22—It is officially stated that Japan does not consider intervention in Russia nor the mobilization of troops for use in Siberia, neither has been ordered not talked of.

Russia's Only Hope Lies in Cossacks They May Save Russia

(By United Press)
Washington, Dec. 22—Russia's only hope lies in the Cossacks, and officials formerly with the United States mission to Russia say they may save us. However there is little prospect of military help from Russia and she is lost as an allied war asset. It is yet uncertain whether recent events will develop sufficiently to prevent Russia being thrown open to Germany as a granary and storehouse.

GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS

Former Russian army head gathers great Royalist force.



Grand Duke Nicholas, the former Russian commander-in-chief, has gathered a great army of royalists in the Caucasus while Kerensky with another army is now marching against Moscow according to a dispatch from Harparanda.

Smash Hold Nation Wide Meat Trust Sapping the People

(By United Press)
Washington, Dec. 22—The object of the food probe of the federal trade commission now going on is to smash the grip of the nation-wide meat trust on the American people. It is learned today and charged against them that the trust's sway extends from the cattle ranches direct through packing houses to the consumer, and that canned goods, butter and eggs together with other food is controlled the same way.

Great Battle in Petrograd Streets Details Unavailable

(By United Press)
Stockholm, Dec. 22—A great battle in the streets of Petrograd is reported and fighting was still in progress when the dispatch was filed. Four army corps refused the Bolshevik orders issued for them to leave the city and Bolsheviks sent other troops against them. Details are unavailable at this time.

FARMERS DISCUSS FORMING CREAMERY

Plans Brought up at Chamber of Commerce Meeting Propose Supplying of Cream by 900 Cows

James Sorenson, State Dairy and Food Commissioner and County Agent Colquhoun at the Meeting

Ukrainians Take Over Southwest Fronts May Mean Resumption

(By United Press)
Petrograd, Dec. 22—The Ukrainians have taken over the Rumanian and southwest fronts and have united themselves, Bolsheviks ordering their immediate arrest. This may mean the early resumption of fighting against the Germans there.

Plot Discovered Intoxicate Soldiers Destroy Discipline

(By United Press)
Petrograd, Dec. 22—The Soviet announces the discovery of a plot against Bolsheviks to steal liquor, intoxicate the soldiers and destroy discipline.

Gun Manufacture is Investigated by the Senate

(By United Press)
Washington, Dec. 22—That the gun manufacturers sponsors for the Browning machine gun are "fooling the government" was told the senate investigating committee by Albert Borie of the Savage Arms company, the latter company making the Lewis guns which the allies adopted.

Christmas Tree Planned for Every Barracks

(By United Press)
Camp Dodge, Dec. 22—A Christmas tree has been planned for every barracks as many soldiers will be unable to get home Christmas.

Responsibility Rifle Shortage Laid to Crozier

(By United Press)
Washington, Dec. 22—The responsibility for ordinance and rifle shortage is placed on General Crozier, chief of ordinance, by Col. Isaac Lewis who is the inventor of the Lewis machine gun and is before the senate investigating committee.

George Hunt Seated

(By United Press)
Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 22—The state supreme court has seated George Hunt, democrat, as governor of Arizona. This settles the contest in which Thomas Campbell, republican, claimed he had received a majority of several hundred votes.

Asking Public Not to Travel During Holidays

(By United Press)
New York, Dec. 22—The newspapers have published advertisements asking the public not to travel during the holidays as a patriotic appeal to let the soldiers travel and allow troop movement.

Demand Territory Causes Deadlock

(By United Press)
Zurich, Dec. 22—The German press in discussing Germany's peace demands with Russia invariably uses the phrase "rectification of the frontier," and apparently a demand for Russian territory caused the deadlock at Brastilovsk.

Rocksalt and Bran Containing Disease Germs and Poison

(By United Press)
Chicago, Dec. 22—Rocksalt and bran containing disease germs and poisons were shipped from St. Louis to cattle dealers throughout the southwest by I. W. W. agents, the federal officials charge. Evidence of this plot disclosed when a raid was made on the headquarters of the organization a week ago.

No Hint Received

(By United Press)
London, Dec. 22—The foreign office told the United Press that no such thing as a hint of Teutonic peace terms had been received here.

Guilty of Conspiracy

(By United Press)
Detroit, Dec. 22—The jury in the district court here found Albert Carl Kaltschmidt and three accomplices guilty of conspiracy in connection with pro-German plots, one defendant being acquitted.

New French Cavalry Enters the War after Three Years



This photograph is the first indication of a radical change in the method of European warfare that has prevailed for three years. It shows French cavalry starting out on patrol along the Aisne. Not since the first months of the war when the French horsemen were known as cuirassiers and wore heavy and unwieldy metal armor over the upper part of the body, and the Germans sent forth their Uhlans, has cavalry operated extensively. Now, however, it is predicted that the fighting will be more open, and cavalry will come more into use.

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There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was supposed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional conditions and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Medicine, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system. One Hundred dollars reward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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THE WEATHER

Weather Forecast for Next 24 Hours:

Mild.
Cooperative observer's record 6 p.m.
December 21—Maximum 22, minimum 3.
December 22—Minimum for the night, 7 above.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

News of Parties, Visitors, Visits, Deaths, Accidents, Etc., gratefully received by the Dispatch. Telephone North-west 74.

For Spring Water phone 264. If John Hill went to Jenkins this afternoon.

Leather photograph folders, just what the soldier boys need, at D. E. Whitney's. 105tf

John Schoenecker went to St. Paul this afternoon.

Edison Diamond Disc Phonographs make fine Christmas presents. Folsom Music Co., 614 Laurel St. 156tf

Dr. P. L. Berge went to St. Paul this afternoon.

Store your household goods with D. M. Clark & Co. 129tf

R. W. Seelye has returned from a business trip to Minneapolis.

Our line of player pianos and pianos comprises the best. Folsom Music Co., 614 Laurel St. 156tf

Mrs. Edward R. Syverson of Iron-ton was visiting in Brainerd today.

Ed Blake arrived in Brainerd today to spend Christmas at his home.

For the best in music come to us. Folsom Music Co., 614 Laurel St. 156tf

D. C. Henderson of Nisawa is in the city attending the creamery meeting.

Brass and silver photo frames, all sizes and at prices to suit you at D. E. Whitney's. 105.f

Trays, art candle sticks, nut bowls, and fruit bowls at D. E. Whitney's. 105tf

Miss Julia Tollefson and Miss Laura Willmer have gone to Minneapolis to spend Christmas.

Something new, fresh air without draft, dust, rain or snow. Sanitary Window Ventilators, only 50 cents at Lakeside Lumber Co. 171

Mr. and Mrs. Barney McGivern went to Little Falls this afternoon to spend Christmas with her parents.

CHRISTMAS TREES. Phone 835-L or 835-R Delivered 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c 262tf

The Citizens State bank of Brainerd extends its holiday greetings on a finely engraved and colored card.

Breakfast and Supper. Popular Prices. Iron Exchange Hotel. 170tf

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Ingalls of Nora Springs, Iowa, arrived today to spend Christmas with his parents in Crosby.

Every soldier should have one of those leather photoholders at D. E. Whitney's to carry the photograph of his sweetheart and mother. 105tf

David Soderlund, a yeoman at the Great Lakes training station, arrived this afternoon to spend Christmas at his home.

Old Time Mixed Candy 20c per pound. Mixed Nuts, 20c per pound. O'Brien Mercantile Co. 162tf

Rosko Brothers, Henry and Peter, in company with Dodge Motor Co. have extended holiday wishes to their many patrons.

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So crowded was the afternoon train for St. Paul that passengers stood up in the aisles and on the platform between coaches.

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Charles W. Whittig of Denver, Col., is visiting his wife during the holidays and is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Theviot.

An apple a day keeps the doctor away. Prescriptions filled by Brockway & Parker who have 800 boxes fancy Yakima apples for sale. 167tf

Ray W. Seelye, Jr., student at St. John's military academy at Delafield, Wis., is home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Seelye.

TO THE PEOPLE OF BRAINERD AND VICINITY

Saturday Dec. 22nd.

Our appreciation prompts us to express to you our thanks for the business you have entrusted to us and we wish you and yours

A Merry Christmas and
A Happy New Year

O'Brien Merc. Co.

C. W. Koering is presenting patrons a pretty calendar and thermometer combined, a most expensive advertising novelty and much appreciated.

Give something electrical this Christmas. Make your selection from the large stock carried by the Electric Shop, next to the Postoffice. Adt. 163tf

W. E. Livy has sold four Saxons this week, two to Ironton people and two to Staples parties. The Patek Furniture Co. recently brought a Maxwell clock.

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Mrs. F. W. Runkel and Mrs. E. M. Larrabee, sister and mother of W. T. Larrabee, arrived today from Superior, Wis., to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Larrabee.

I will sell for one week, large timbered lots, \$75, \$100, \$5 cash, \$5 monthly, 3 for \$10. Nettleton. 170tf

Miss Marjorie Poppenberg, a teacher of Osakis, and her sister, Miss Katherine Poppenberg of Duluth, are visiting their parents and their sister, Mrs. W. S. McClenahan.

For rent, warm sleeping rooms, second floor private home which has gas, bath, electric light, telephone. Good table board can be secured block away. 722 South Broadway.

F. O. E. NO. 287

On account of Christmas, our regular meeting will be postponed to Friday, Dec. 28th. Brothers please take notice. 171tf

John H. Smith, National bank examiner and assistant have completed their semi-annual examination of the First National bank in this city and finding that institution in its usual excellent condition.

Large stock of Ever Ready Flash Lights and Batteries at Brainerd Electric Co. 728 Laurel Street. A handy Christmas present. Adt. 163tf

Frank C. Wellaston of St. Paul has been sick at St. Joseph's hospital, doctors diagnosing it as inflammation of the stomach. Mr. Wellaston, first employed at the Ideal hotel, is now an employee of the Union Hotel, St. Paul.

Columbia Granofonolas, come and hear them. They are great for Christmas present. Folsom Music Co., 614 Laurel St. 156tf

Commencing Monday, Dec. 24, the Minnesota & International way freight will leave Brainerd at 9 in the morning. All freight for M. & I. points will have to be delivered at the freight house the day before in order to go forward on this train.

For a first class job of Oxy-Acetylene welding go to Herbert Peterson at the Woodhead Motor Co. garage. 13tf

M. S. Jacobson, horse buyer for the government, is receiving many inquiries on horses. He asserted they must be perfectly sound as the government wants no broken, winded ones. The matter of horse sales was taken up at the farmers creamery meeting at the Chamber of Commerce today and received added publicity.

Crystal Spring water, \$1.00 month. L. Bourassa, Telephone 13. 541m

The Dispatch windows yesterday housed the fine cup won by Crow Wing county in the Northern Minnesota Development association potato growers contest. It is a splendid piece of work and represents a

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A SONG OF HATE**

My Tuesdays are meatless.
My Wednesdays are wheatless.
I'm getting more eatless each day;
My house it is heatless.
My bed it is sheetless.
They have gone to the Y. M. C. A.
The barrooms are treatless.
My coffee is sweetless.
Each day I get poorer and wiser;
My stockings are feetless.
My trousers are seatless.
Je-roosh, how I hate the dam Kaiser!

fine achievement. The trophy will probably be kept at the county agent's office or at the court house, wherever it can gain the most publicity.

Our record line is complete. Our records are sung and played by the world's greatest soloists and organizations. Folsom Music Co., 614 Laurel St. 156tf

In a card to John A. Hoffbauer, local government weather observer, U. G. Pursell, meteorologist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, stationed at Minneapolis, writes: "It gives me pleasure to express to you my appreciation of the valuable services performed by you during the year 1917 as our cooperative observer. I cordially extend to you the compliments of the season and my best wishes for the next year."

An apple a day keeps the doctor away. Prescriptions filled by Brockway & Parker who have 800 boxes fancy Yakima apples for sale. 167tf

The Dispatch has been remembered by two former Brainerd ladies who some years ago left this city for the west where they located upon a ranch and started an orchard. Two boxes of beautiful "Winesap" apples picked from the trees were received and appreciated as the gift of Miss M. Strangways and Miss L. Wittaker whom Brainerd people will remember as having been connected with the Northern Pacific hospital in this city for so many years and who are now at Prosser, Washington.

If you are contemplating purchasing a phonograph for Christmas, it will pay you to look over our line before buying. Folsom Music Co., 614 Laurel St. 156tf

Continued mild weather such as Brainerd is experiencing is daily saving tons and tons of coal and relieving the fuel situation. And householders are saving too, burning wood whenever possible and where the stoves permit it, burning wood in the daytime and coal at night. Hundreds have bought soft coal heaters, as soft

READY WORKERS CLASS

Gave a Surprise Party to Alvin J. Bystrom on Friday Evening.
Forty Were Present

The Ready Workers class of the Peoples Congregational Sunday school gave a very pleasant surprise party to Alvin J. Bystrom, in honor of his birthday Friday night.

In order to have him present, the young men's class of which he is a member, was invited to spend the evening as their guests. There were about forty present. The evening was spent in playing various games, after which most delicious refreshments were served.

coal can be more easily supplied than hard coal. Pupils of the city face with equanimity the possibility of school closing because of fuel shortage, in short, the primary class let out a whoop of joy at such a contingency.

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WOMAN'S REALM

SWEDISH AND ENGLISH PROGRAM

To be Given Christmas Evening at 7:30 at the Swedish Bethany Church

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Special Offering of Gifts—Old and New—for the Poor Families of the City

The Swedish Bethany Sunday school has prepared a very interesting program for their Christmas exercises, to be given in the evening of Christmas Day at 7:30 o'clock. The Sunday school has made wonderful progress under the leadership of Rev. Theodore Clemens, the superintendent, during the past year and have worked hard to have a good program.

A special feature of the evening will be the offering of gifts in the line of clothing, groceries, toys or anything else that will be useful and bring Christmas joy to the poor families of Brainerd. All are asked to bring their offering to the church, where it will be placed under the Christmas tree for the evening. They will afterwards be distributed to the poor about town.

The following is the program to which all are invited:

Song Congregation
Scripture reading and prayer K. S. Bredenberg
Valkomsthälsning Myrtle Peterson
Christmas Greetings Virgil Quarnstrom
Song Sunday School
Jesus Sade Mildred Johnson, Julia Anderson, Sylvia Swanson.
Recitation Evelyn Swanson
The Child of Bethlehem Helen Erickson
Vår Fröjd Edith Peterson, Margaret Anderson, Ellen Erickson, Elvira Norquist, Bertie Erickson, Lester Anderson, Wallace Anderson, Ruben Anderson, Donald Norquist.
Song Choir
Christmas Welcome Lester Bredenberg
Julens Stjärna Edna Peterson
As We Stand Beneath His Star Mamford Norquist
Jul Dialogue Edwin Anderson
May Anderson, Ethel Johnson
A Christmas Prayer Maurice Anderson
Recitation Leslie Swanson
Gåvan Anna Swanson
Violin solo Lester Bredenberg
Recitation Donald Anderson
Recitation Milton Anderson

G. A. R. CIRCLE HAS HONOR GUEST

Department President Sara E. Mathews Visits J. C. Congdon Circle on Thursday Afternoon

TOLD OF WORK OF CIRCLES

Albert Fox and Prof. J. A. Wilson Spoke of the Civil War Days When They Served the Flag

Department President Sara E. Mathews was the guest of honor at the regular meeting of J. C. Congdon Circle No. 89, Ladies of the G. A. R., held at the Odd Fellow hall on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Mathews inspected the circle.

She gave a very interesting talk on the work of the circles all over the state. Circles are aiding in Red Cross work and at cities they go out to Fort Snelling and Minnehaha Park and entertain the boys there who are away from home and friends. Some ask them to their homes for a Sunday dinner.

A goodly number have become "Sammy Backers" by offering to write letters to the boys who have no one at home to write to.

Comrades Albert Fox and Prof. J. A. Wilson also gave very interesting talks, saying they were once in the limelight of action and they had words of praise for the boys who had offered their lives as a sacrifice to their country in its time of need that all might live in a country free from military rule and that the Stars and Stripes may float over a nation free in every sense of the word. They asked that those present as members of G. A. R. homes and relatives give the same loving service now as was given in the days of 1861 to 1865.

The circle elected these officers: President—Lillie M. Tollefson. Senior Vice President—France A. Johnson. Junior Vice President—Eliza Evans.

Chaplain—Hazel Weaver. Treasurer—Anna C. Thompson. A poem from a Minneapolis paper was read by Mrs. Mathews.

Cook-Hanson

Arthur Hanson and Myrtle Palline Cook were married Friday, December fourteenth at the manse of the Presbyterian church, W. J. Lowrie officiating.

WHERE TO WORSHIP

Swedish Lutheran Church Service tomorrow at 10:30 A. M. Sunday school at 12. Evening service at 7:30 P. M. Xmas morning (Julotta) at 5:30. Sunday school program Christmas evening at 7:30.

Bethlehem Norwegian Lutheran Morning services in Norwegian, evening in English. Mrs. George Berggreen will sing a solo in the morning and the choir will furnish music in the evening.

Evangelical Association Corner Forsyth and 4th Ave. N. E. Sunday school 9:45 A. M. Christmas service 11 A. M. Young Peoples meeting 7 P. M. Junior Alliance 7 P. M. Evening service 7:45. You are welcome. G. Herbold, pastor.

Christian Science Society Camels hall, Iron Exchange building. Sunday school at 10 A. M. Sunday service at 11 A. M. Wednesday evening at 8 P. M. To these services the public is welcome. Subject for Sunday "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force." Golden Text, Psalms 19:1.

Peoples Congregational Church Rev. William Lloyd Crist, pastor. Sunday school 10 A. M., lesson, "The Advent of the Messiah." Matt. 2:1-12. Morning service 11 o'clock, subject, "I Know Thy Works." Evening service 7:30 o'clock, subject, "A Successful Medicament." Oscar Henning will sing a solo at the evening service.

First Baptist Church Morning service at 11 A. M. The pastor will give a Christmas message on the subject, "God's Unspeakable Gift." Christmas music will be furnished by the choir. Evening service at 7:30, sermon subject, "Room For Jesus." Special Christmas music. Sunday school at 9:45 A. M. Junior Society at 3 P. M. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursday at 7:30 P. M. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Rev. R. E. Cody, pastor.

Swedish Bethany Church 10 a. m.—Sunday school. Both Swedish and English, and classes for all ages. 11 a. m.—Morning service in Swedish. Rev. Theo Clemens, the pastor, will speak on the subject: What a Poor Man Could Give.

6:30 p. m.—Young Peoples society. "Is It Easy to Give Up Old Habits?" will be the subject and Miss Nora Swanson the leader. 7:30 p. m.—English sermon by Rev. Clemens, on the subject, "Can We Celebrate Christmas Without Christ?"

Swedish Baptist Church. At the morning worship 10:30 o'clock the pastor will speak on the topic, "My Father's Books." Sunday school at 12 o'clock. In the evening 7:30, the pastor will speak in English on the subject "Crowding Out the Saviour." Julotta in the morning on Christmas day at 5:30 o'clock. The pastor will preach on "The Wonderful Christ," and the choir will sing. The Christmas program will be presented by the Sunday school on the evening of Christmas day at 7:30. You are cordially invited to attend. P. Alfrd Peterson, pastor.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church Fourth Sunday in Advent. 10:30 morning prayer and sermon, subject "The Prophetic Day." 11:30 Sunday school. 4:30 Vesper service and sermon, subject "The Sword of America." A study of the reasons why America remained neutral so long

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and then entered the war. Few people seemed to have studied the president's notes and realize his point of view. We have not yet realized the enormity of the crime committed by militarism against civilization. Special music. The Christmas services will be as follows:

Service Christmas eve at 11:15 P. M. Holy communion and sermon, subject, "If Christ had Not Been Born." Special music by choir. Solo by Miss Mabel Johnson and M. E. Davis. All are welcome to the service Christmas day. 10:30 Holy Communion and sermon, subject "Love Came Down at Christmas."


First Congregational This Sunday special services will be held in the First Congregational church. Rev. Sheridan will preach on the theme "King, by Divine Right." Special Christmas music will be rendered by the choir. The service will commence at 10:30.

The Bible school at 11:45. Prof. will teach the lesson in the men's class on the general theme "Is Christianity the Best Religion." The Young Peoples society of Christian Endeavor at 6:45. We invite you to worship with us. —Rev. G. Phil. Sheridan, minister.

Methodist Church. Christmas Sunday will be observed. There will be a Christmas sermon by the pastor at 10:30 entitled "The Prince of Peace." There will also be special Christmas music by the choir. Following is the program:

Organ Voluntary—Miss Bessie Paine. Doxology. Apostles' Creed. Invocation. Hymn, 197 "Joy of the World." Prayer. Anthem, "Glory to God in the Highest," Bierly. Christmas Psalter. Gloria Patri. Scripture Lesson, Luke 2. Anthem, "The Promised King," Meredith. Offering for Missions. Hymn No. 115, "The Watching Shepherds." Christmas Sermon, "The Prince of Peace," Rev. F. W. Hill.

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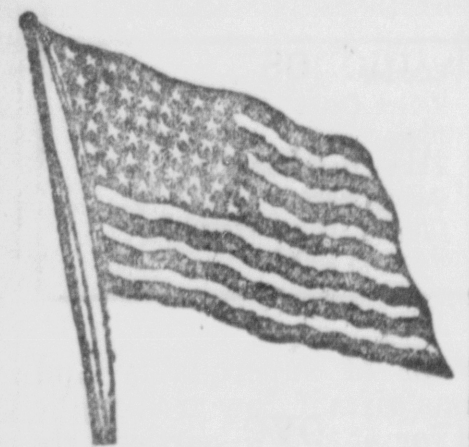
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 The Flag for me and you—
 Glorified the whole world wide—
 The Red, the White, the Blue!

WHERE TO WORSHIP

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complete copy of the program may be found in Monday's issue of this paper.

Presbyterian Church

Morning worship and praise at 10:30 o'clock. The theme of the sermon will be a continuation of the sermon of last Sunday "The Capture of Jerusalem—Its Significance." The quartet will sing "By the Rivers of Babylon," Osborne.

In the afternoon at 3 o'clock the primary department of the Sunday school will have its Christmas exercises under the direction of Mrs. Fritz Hagberg. There will be songs and recitations and at the conclusion small gifts will be distributed to the little ones. Parents of primary and Cradle Roll children are especially invited.

At seven o'clock White Christmas will be celebrated with appropriate songs and praise. The school is preparing many baskets for the poor and for those who would be without a Christmas remembrance. The Sunday school assisted by Edwin Lee accompany the chorus choir.

The Christian Endeavor meets at 6 o'clock, and will have a Christmas lesson. All are invited to these services throughout the day. W. J. Lowrie, pastor.

SCHOOLS CLOSED
REOPEN JAN. 14

Severe Cold and Contagious Diseases Affected the Attendance Some-what for Past Month

325 WERE VACCINATED FRIDAY

Special Report on the Recent School Census of Contagious Diseases Will be Interesting

The city schools closed yesterday for a vacation of three weeks and will reopen on Monday, January the fourteenth. A part of the month was severely cold and school attendance was considerably reduced thereby. Measles, chickenpox and a few cases of smallpox also affected the attendance, making it the lowest attendance for December in several years.

During the last week of the month, at the suggestion of the state and local health authorities, a census of contagious diseases was taken in the schools, and, as a result of the census, it was deemed advisable by the board of education and the health authorities to offer free vaccination of children at the school buildings. The disease census disclosed the fact that about one-third of the school children of Brainerd had been vaccinated or had had smallpox and that two-thirds had neither had smallpox nor been vaccinated. On Friday at each of the school buildings, a doctor and nurses were on hand, and upward of three hundred children received vaccination free of charge. As conditions now stand, about one half of the school children of Brainerd should be immune to smallpox and one half not immune. The health officer has indicated that the quarantine regulations concerning non-immune children, in case of exposure to the disease, will be strictly enforced.

The school children, in common with the citizens generally, caught the contagion of the Red Cross Christmas drive and were able to be of considerable service to the leaders in charge of the canvass, especially the high school girls who worked faithfully a portion of each day during the entire week. Incidentally, the Red Cross campaign gave an impetus in the schools to the school auxiliary campaign for membership, and as a result, three schools have been organized as Junior Auxiliaries. The Whittier was the first to "go over the top," followed by the Lincoln and the high school. The accredited membership is now six hundred, and funds already on hand, and in prospect, at the other buildings, ought to bring the membership up to twelve hundred shortly after the reopening of schools. One hundred fifty dollars has already been deposited with the county school auxiliary treasurer, Mr. G. W. Chadbourne. Miss Sheldon assisted by Miss Keene, will act as director for the local schools in mapping out the Red Cross activities adapted to the various buildings and grades.

The high school girls in the cooking department experimented quite successfully the last few days of

school in conservation Christmas candies, made without sugar, and each girl in the department intends to employ the same recipes for her own home Christmas candies. The advanced sewing class, in charge of Miss Keene, has turned out some very creditable pieces of workmanship, dresses made for their own personal use.

The senior class entertainment, given at the high school on Wednesday evening, was a very successful event in every way and the proceeds will enable the class to meet its various patriotic contributions, with the balance for other useful purposes later. The school thoroughly appreciates the liberal patronage of the Brainerd public at their entertainments to raise funds, and will always try to offer a satisfactory performance and to see that the funds are devoted to some useful school purpose. One of the gratifying features of our school work this year has been the enthusiasm shown in the school music, in both grades and high school. The chorus work and the high school orchestra have contributed much to the success of nearly all of the school activities of a public nature and Miss Seymour, our musical director, deserves credit for her zeal and enterprise along these lines. By the opening of the next semester, the new books for grade and high school libraries will be ready for use, as they have already arrived. At the Lowell school, the library work is handled by upper grade pupils, under the direction of their principal, and some very useful training in library methods is being secured.

We are pleased to note the splendid attitude manifested by the students of the high school, both boys and girls, toward every enterprise of a public nature in the city in which they can be of service. The manual training boys, under direction, constructed the crates for the potato exhibit, and the high school girls assisted the conservation committee in its demonstration and dinner. It is a credit to the students of the high school, as well as to their parents, that at this time, when patriotic spirit on the part of every one is so much needed, they are rising to the emergency and doing their part as opportunity offers. In many ways the high school sets the pace and the grades tend to fall in line. It is fortunate that in Brainerd the high school pace is a worthy one for the grades to follow.

During the vacation the board of education will have all the school buildings thoroughly cleaned and disinfected, the desks and wood work washed, and will spare no effort to make the schools as free as possible from disease germs.

Although the school board and health authorities were somewhat disappointed that the response to the free vaccination was not more general, they hope that it has accomplished something. The Lowell and Harrison schools responded better than the other schools.

Mrs. B. Waite, whose husband is in the U. S. army, has been secured to teach the M.H. school, in place of Miss Koop who has resigned.

Consolidated report of all buildings for December 1, 1917:

Enrolled, 810 boys, 942 girls, total 1762; new enrollments for month, 26; cases of tardiness, 146; per cent of attendance, 95.5 per cent; days lost by teachers (with substitutes) 1; number of teachers' meetings, 2; number of fire drills, 10; number cases of corporal punishment, 6; cases of truancy reported, 4; number of books drawn from grade libraries, 666.

Report by buildings:

Washington High—R. R. Denison, principal; enrolled, 103 boys, 194 girls, total 297; per cent attendance, 98.1; tardies, 9.

Junior High—Neva Schroeder, principal; enrolled, 17 boys, 32 girls, total 49; per cent attendance, 96.1; tardies 7.

Washington Grades—Lurline Gutzler, principal; enrolled, 39 boys, 29 girls, total 188; per cent attendance, 94.6; tardies 13.

Whittier—Louise Barrett, principal; enrolled, 99 boys, 104 girls, total 203; per cent attendance, 95.3; tardies, 1.

Harrison—Fleda Canniff, principal; enrolled, 162 boys, 133 girls, total 295; per cent attendance, 95.3; tardies, 30.

Lincoln—Clara E. Case, principal; enrolled, 135 boys, 150 girls, total 285; per cent attendance, 94.5; tardies, 35.

Lowell—R. M. Williams, principal; enrolled, 215 boys, 239 girls, total 445; per cent attendance, 94; tardies, 51.

Special report on the recent school census of contagious diseases:

Total number pupils reported having had smallpox, 207; total number pupils reported successful vaccination, 400; total number pupils reported never vaccinated, 1,130; total number pupils vaccinated at schools Dec. 21, 325; total number of immune at present (vaccinated or had smallpox) 900; total number pupils (not immune vaccinated or not had smallpox) 900.

Report of punctuality and attendance for December, 1917:

Name	% Att.	Tard.
Normal Dept.	100	0
Irene Lowey	98.3	0
R. R. Denison	98.13	9
Mary Crahan	97.3	5
Luella Austin	97.1	1
Elizabeth Walsh	97.1	9
Signe Beck	97	3
Fleda Canniff	96.96	4
Sara Irwin	96.95	0
Lurline Gutzler	96.4	1
Julia Wahl	96.1	6
Elizabeth Somers	96.1	0
Nora J. Smith	96	0
Huldah Liljendahl	95.8	1
Louise Barrett	95.8	0
Clara E. Case	95.5	3
Mae A. Hansen	95.3	2
Ella Mitchell	95.2	0
Amy Freesberg	95.1	5
Susan Hanson	94.7	5
Grace Carlson	94.5	4
Hattie Sager	94.4	6
Rose Foley	94.4	1
Hannah Redy	94.3	6
Lois A. Winter	94.2	2
Crestie L. Gilmore	94	3
Louise Andersen	94	1
Esther Anderson	94	11
Vera Munger	94	0

R. Mabel Williams	93.7	0
Anna B. Patterson	92.5	5
Edna Allen	92.4	2
Clara Jones	92.2	0
Mary T. Walsh	92	3
Mabel A. Edmunds	92	9
Elizabeth Heley	92.9	1
C. Mabel Early	92.79	12
Mary E. Bishop	92	6
Katherine Cosgrove	91.8	10
Mary L. Small	91.7	1
Margaret Somers	91.5	2

RED CROSS CHRISTMAS DRIVE
GREAT AND GLORIOUS FINISH

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approximate numbers of members obtained by the drive.

Candles, Caution.

With the lighting of so many candles back of the service flags in the homes of the city Monday night, extra caution is necessary to avoid fires. The mayor and city officials have commended the word of warning issued by the campaign committee and emphasize the importance of attention to this part of the Xmas program.

All draperies near the window should be removed before the candles are lighted and children not be permitted to play about the light, or it be left in their charge. "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" is a homely old saw but true; let the public exercise due caution in this matter.

Soon, the Bells.

And soon the bells and whistles. On Monday eve at 7:30 the bells and whistles will give the signal for lighting the Red Cross candles in the homes of Brainerd people and all over the country.

At 9 P. M. the N. P. shop whistle will announce the close of the campaign and, it is hoped, an interval later will sound the tocsin, one long triumphant blast, "Brainerd and Crow Wing county have gone over the top," which will be the signal for a hearty cheer in every home and a personal satisfaction in every heart to feel, "I have participated in this great Christmas campaign for the boys 'over there,' my dollar is in with the rest, my children have the example before them of true Christmas giving and self-denial."

Turkey, goose, duck and chicken will taste all the more inviting on Christmas day and the aristocratic pork roast or tenderloin, where it can be afforded, seem less of a selfish luxury to those who enjoy them.

Are you on the list? One last call, DO IT NOW!

DEATH OF LITTLE BOY

Kenneth Anderson, 3 Year Son of John W. Anderson, Died of Pneumonia

Kenneth Anderson, age 3, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Anderson, of 1426 Portland street, Southeast, died of pneumonia and the funeral will be held on Monday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. Clemens officiating.

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COUNCIL MET FRIDAY EVENING

Ordered Spread on Tax Records Judgments Taken by Two Banks Against City

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Assessment Rolls for Construction S. E. Brainerd Sewers Adopted

The council met in adjourned session Friday evening, all members being present except Aldermen Gustafson and Strickler.

A resolution was adopted ordering placed on the tax rolls the judgment of the First National bank of Carleton against the city of Brainerd for \$2,753.43 and interest.

Another resolution adopted ordered placed on the tax rolls the judgment of the First National bank of Cloquet against the city of Brainerd for \$1026.96 and interest.

Both concerns holds claims which C. A. Olson had on balances due on the fire truck and he sold them to the above banks and they secured judgment against the city.

Two offers were made for increasing the heating capacity of the city jail, one by Slipp-Gruenhausen Co. and one by Sherlund Co. Both were rejected.

Arthur Woolhouse, inspector of sewers under construction, was ordered paid \$62.

The assessment roll for the construction of laterals C5, C6 and C7 in sewer district No. 3 as prepared by the city engineer, was adopted.


Assessment rolls were also adopted for lateral sewer C4 district No. 3; lateral sewer O, district No. 1; lateral sewer B5, district No. 4; lateral sewer A6, district No. 5; for curbing along North Eighth street from the north line of Ivy street to the south line of Bluff avenue, also for curbing North Eighth street from Ivy street to the south line of Bluff Ave. Dist. No. 7.

Patrolman Peter Nordstrom was reported resigned and the mayor was asked to defer for a time the appointment of a successor.


KICKED BY HORSE

Phineas Hall at Windsor Hotel Barn Has His Nose Broken and Was Badly Cut

Phineas Hall, barn tender at the Windsor hotel, was kicked by a horse and had his nose broken and laid open and his upper lip badly cut. He was unconscious for some time after the accident. Hall was taken to St. Joseph's hospital.





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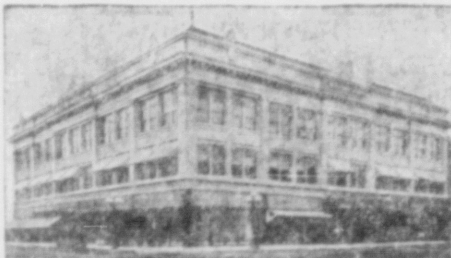


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J. P. ERNSTER, PRESIDENT

Two Policemen Stood Across Street and Never Suspected a Thing. Robbers Were Experts

The Peoples State bank, 1419 Washington Ave. South, Minneapolis, which was robbed of \$5,500 Friday, was largely owned by J. P. Ernster, son of John Ernster of this city.

J. P. Ernster in former years was connected with the Brainerd State bank and only recently started the bank of Minneapolis.

The Minneapolis Journal gives a seven column head front page to the bank robbery which on account of its boldness eclipsed anything ever tried in the Mill City.

The three bandits walked in and their plans worked so perfectly that two policemen across the street never suspected a thing until the robbers had escaped in an automobile and the bank officials, locked in the vault, had shouted for help.

The robbers' faces were covered with large red handkerchiefs. No one obtained a good description of them.

Each robber carried two pistols.

"Everybody line up and face the wall right here," was the command addressed to Mr. Ernster in his private office, J. L. Graven, assistant cashier in his cage, and Miss Nellie Harrison, the stenographer.

Mr. Ernster saved his big diamond ring by telling the robbers it was only an imitation. The safe was rifled of \$2,000 and the cashier's cage of \$3,500.

When they left the bank the robbers walked leisurely, after removing their handkerchief masks. Outside they got into the curtained automobile that was waiting for them. As they sped away, they turned into Fifteenth avenue and the car skidded.

The car had been stolen and later was found with front wheels wrecked.

PEOPLES CHURCH MONDAY EVENING

The Christmas entertainment of the Sunday school of the Peoples Congregational church will be given on Monday evening, the following being the program:

Welcome.....Agnes Templeton
"Welcome, Everybody".....Margaret Long
"A Merry Christmas".....Norma Olson
"A Good Forgetter".....Eldred Rasch
"Santa Claus".....Donald Quinn
Dialogue.....Miss MacDonald's Class
"The Little Girl".....Florence Abrahamson

Crandie Hymn.....Margaret Prentice
"The Bad Boys".....Lillian Abrahamson
Song, "Little Star".....Primary Class
"Why Do Bells For Christmas Ring".....Mildred Prentice
"Christmas Message".....Mabel Apzar
"Johnny's Letter".....Leslie Wood
Solo, "Santa Claus".....Donald Henning
"The Starless Crown".....Hilda Abrahamson

"The Things I Want".....Margaret Prentice and Alfred Abrahamson.
Song, "Old Santa".....Mildred and Margaret Prentice
"The Heavenly Guest".....Marion Templeton

Dialogue.....Miss Caniff's Class
"Santa and His Reindeer".....Eldred Rasch

"Christmas Spirit".....Dorothy Bette
"Christmas".....Gladys Hall
"The Xmas Tree".....Alfred Abrahamson
"My Invited Guests".....Alice Swanson
"Our Flag".....Hugo Bayer

"Christmas Fairies".....Teresa Novick, Carol Guin, Christine Hanson, Helen Templeton, Tedford Luck, Morris Snook, Carrie Menz, Alfreda Menz, Gustav Hanson.

Saxophone solo.....Ernest Crust

The program closes with a play entitled "Two Christmas Boxes," a clever comedy in four scenes, by eleven young ladies. The Meadowbrook Ladies' Aid society is sending a Christmas box of old clothing to a missionary in Montana. The president of the Ladies' Aid society is shipping a box of beautiful gifts to a relative at the same time. The labels become mixed and the box of cast-off clothing goes to the relative while the poor missionary and his family receive the handsome gifts. The complications result in a happy ending, pointing a well needed lesson.

BOOM LAKE RINK

Ice is in Good Shape and Many Skaters Expected During the Christmas Holidays

Boom lake ice is in excellent condition and the surface has been thoroughly cleaned so that the lake offers a splendid place for recreation during the Christmas holidays.

Large crowds are expected Sunday. There is a good warming station at the lake. Lights will soon be installed. At present the moonlight is sufficient to illuminate the lake.

FOR LATE CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

TOYS
Beads
Neckwear
Fur Muffs
Lavelierres
Bath Robes
Kid Mittens
Boudoir Caps
Serge Dresses
White Aprons
Silk Petticoats
Shopping Bags
Flannel Middies
Knitted Mittens
Child's Knit Sets
Plain Silk Hosiery
Fancy Brass Articles
Crepe de Chine Waists
Fancy Cretonne Articles

TOYS
Bracelets
Umbrellas
Dress Silks
Silk Skirts
Knit Scarfs
Silk Dresses
Hair Ribbons
Ivory Mirrors
Cluny Doylies
Handkerchiefs
Laundry Bags
Child's Sweaters
Mederia Napkins
Georgette Waists
Fancy Silk Hosiery
Embroidered Gowns
Embroidered Chemise
Women's Winter Coats

TOYS
Kimonos
Knit Caps
Kid Gloves
Silk Gloves
Cape Gloves
Dress Skirts
Service Flags
Child's Coats
Baby Sacques
Silk Camisoles
Babies Bootees
Silks for Waists
Bedroom Slippers
Lundsum Pottery
Child's Bath Robes
Women's Sweaters
Ivory Toilet Articles
Child's Gingham Dresses

Glove Certificates

No gift is better received than one of our glove certificate. The reliability of our store makes these as good as liberty bonds. By purchasing a certificate you need not worry as to size and color. The recipient decides that. Our glove certificates are much prized.

Record Certificates

What would please your friend with a Victrola more than a Victor Record. You need not question what record will please. Give your friends a certificate for any amount you wish and they will take pleasure in selecting. Our record stock is large.

Gift Certificates

Perhaps there is someone you wish to remember with something very practical but do not know what to give. One of our gift certificates will solve this problem. You decide how much to give—the friend then selects from our splendid stock.

The Victrola Store **H. F. Michael Co.** Victor Records

SOLDIERS TREATED FINE

Mayor R. A. Beise Visits His Nephew, L. L. Beise, at Fort Benjamin Harrison

Mayor R. A. Beise has returned from Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indiana where he visited his nephew, L. L. Beise, a private in the supply department. Young Beise expects to see service in France soon. He enlisted in June and has gained twenty pounds in weight. He is well satisfied with food and clothing and said all were getting plenty of both.

Mayor Beise spoke in glowing terms of the morale of the men, all being anxious to get in the big push and hammer at the Kaiser and his legions.

FREE

While they last, a fine guaranteed pure Russian bristle clothes brush with each dry cleaning order amounting to one dollar or more received at the Model Laundry. Phone 211 today and get yours. 1514

CHRISTMAS BABIES

Stork Vies in Popular Honors With Santa Claus and Uncle Sam in Holidays

The stork has entered the lists in Brainerd with a bid for popularity, desiring some of the honors paid two other notables, Santa Claus and Uncle Sam.

The stork brought a pretty girl baby to Mr. and Mrs. James H. Thomas, Jr., of 319 Second Avenue N. E.

A handsome baby girl was also brought to Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson of the Mill district.

A baby girl, first in family, arrived this morning to add to the Christmas cheer in the home of Rev. and Mrs. P. J. Mueller. He is pastor of the German Lutheran church.

At Bethlehem Lutheran church, South 7th street, on Christmas day there will be preaching services in the

morning beginning at 10:15 and Christmas tree festival with Sunday school program in the evening beginning at 7:45.

At the morning services the choir will sing "Julebud" by F. Mellus Christiansen. "Den store hvide Flok" by Grieg. Miss Maybelle Johnson will sing "Glory to God," by Augusto Rapoli.

The program for the evening which begins at 7:45 will consist of three dialogues, "The Heralds of Peace," "The Quest of Three Kings," and "The Christmas Window."

SMALL FIRE IN MORNING

Damaged Room in Rear of Ivan C. Sheets' Print Shop at 310 S. Sixth Street

A small early morning fire at 310 South Sixth street occupied by Ivan C. Sheets' printing shop, had the rear room filled with Christmas trees badly scorched. It is believed to have started from a cigar stump. The blaze was quickly extinguished, loss being nominal.

PLENTY OF PROOF

From People You Know—From Brainerd Citizens

The greatest skeptic can hardly fail to be convinced by evidence like this. It is impossible to produce better proof of merit than the testimony of residents of Brainerd, of people who can be seen at any time. Read the following case of it:

Peter Paulson, 402 Oak St. W. Brainerd, says: "About a year ago I was lifting some heavy bags and slipped and wrenched my back. For several days I was all in and could hardly attend to my work. It seemed to cause my kidneys to act irregularly, too. I had no energy to do anything, felt tired all the time and suffered from backache. I tried Doan's Kidney Pills and they soon relieved me and I have been free from backache and kidney trouble ever since."

Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Paulson had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfgs., Buffalo, N. Y.

FINE FOR RHEUMATISM!

Musterole Loosens Up Those Stiff Joints—Drives Out Pain
You'll know why thousands use Musterole once you experience the glad relief it gives.

Get a jar at once from the nearest drug store. It is a clean, white ointment, made with the oil of mustard. Better than a mustard plaster and does not blister. Brings ease and comfort while it is being rubbed on!

Musterole is recommended by many doctors and nurses. Millions of jars are used annually for bronchitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frostbitten feet, colds of the chest (it often prevents pneumonia). 30c and 60c jars; hospital size \$2.50



DISPATCH WANT ADS PAY.

Catarrhal Cough

Mr. W. S. Brown, R. F. D. No. 4, Box 82, Rogersville, Tennessee, writes:

"I feel it my duty to recommend Peruna to all sufferers of catarrh or cough. In the year 1909, I took a severe case of the la grippe. I then took a bad cough. I had taken all kinds of cough remedies but got no relief. I then decided to try Peruna. I used five bottles. After taking five bottles my cough stopped and my catarrh was cured. My average weight was 115 and now I weigh 148½. Any one suffering with catarrh in any form I will advise them to take Peruna."

Any one Suffering with Catarrh in Any form I will Advise them To take Peruna

Those who object to liquid medicines can procure Peruna Tablets.



Christmas Suggestion

Christmas Gifts for All

The most practical gift is the one that will be appreciated the whole year through. We suggest a few, but have many more.

Casseroles
Percolators
Electric Irons
Flashlights
Pyrex Baking Ware
Scissors and Shears
Safety Razors

Sleds, Skis
Skates
Coaster Wagons
Aluminum Ware
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ITALIANS DRIVE TEUTON ARMY

Abandon Defensive for Offensive on Northern Front and Meet With Success.

HOLD ALL POSITIONS

Terrific Artillery Fire Falls to Dislodge Them From Recaptured Terrain—Comparative Quiet on British Front.

London, Dec. 22.—With signal success on several sectors, the Italians on the northern line in Italy, between the Brenta and Piave rivers, have ceased defensive warfare against the Austro-Germans and assumed the offensive.

Attacking positions which the enemy had captured near Monte Asolone, General Diaz's troops have gained a considerable portion of terrain and held it notwithstanding terrific artillery fire which was turned on them.

Berlin Tells of Action.

The German war office, in endeavoring to belittle success of the offensive, which it asserts was repulsed, shows that the effort of the Italians was a determined one, the troops to the west of Monte Asolone delivering seven attacks against the enemy front.

Admission is made in the German communication that Italians have taken the initiative in fighting on Ponte Pertica and Monte Solarolo, but it is declared their attacks on these sectors as on Monte Asolone, were without success.

Quiet on British Front.

Comparative quietude prevails on the British front in France and Belgium and along the French line running from the region of St. Quentin to the Swiss border, except for bombardments and minor infantry operations.

From the Verdun region to Hartmannswillerkopf, in Alsace, the artillery activity has been pronounced on various sectors.

German Forces Tripled.

With the French Armies in Northern Italy, Dec. 22.—A careful compilation of the strength and disposition of the tremendous Austro-German forces, which, originally concentrated for the Italian offensive probably, have been augmented by troops from the Russian front, has just been completed by the French military authorities.

The summary shows that between the middle of November and the middle of December the bulk of the enemy forces has been steadily shifted from the lower Piave line to the sector between Vicenza on the upper Piave and the Asiago plateau, the part that is held by the French—until forces now trying to battle their way into the northern Italian plains have been nearly tripled.

GERMAN FOOD PLOT BARED

Traffic Via Sweden Shown By Papers On Suspect.

New York, Dec. 22.—Important documents said to reveal extensive food traffic between the United States and Germany through Sweden, were seized by federal agents in Brooklyn when they raided the apartments of Gustav A. Meyers, a purchasing agent for certain German firms, and arrested him as an alien enemy.

According to government agents, some of the papers show Meyers shipped to Germany foodstuffs valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars and that he had been in communication with Germany as recently as a week ago.

Bank books showing deposits of \$12,000 to his credit also are said to have been found.

PLACES BLAME FOR SHORTAGE

Food Administration Official Says Prohibition Makes Sugar Scarce.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Prohibition was blamed for part of the sugar shortage by George M. Ralph of the food administration in his testimony in the senate investigation.

Dropping of the use of liquor by soldiers and sailors and their natural turning to soft drinks and candy that require so much sugar, had added greatly to consumption.

The spread in the states of prohibition by local option has made a steady increase in the consumption of sugar, he said.

No More Fuel for Whistles.

Mitchell, S. D. Dec. 22.—For the first time since the C. M. & St. P. railroad established a division point here, locomotive whistles will not announce the arrival of the new year. Orders to deviate from the custom are based on the assertion that use of steam for whistles wastes fuel.

To Probe Stockyard Labor.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—The federal mediation board will investigate the labor situation at the Chicago stock yards. Threats of the 30,000 employees at the stockyards to strike unless packers meet their demands brought Secretary of Labor Wilson and board members here. They held an informal conference, preliminary to the session. The hearing will be secret, Max Lowenthal, secretary, announced. The packers' side will be the first presented. Packers denied that there was any cause for the board holding hearings.

HURLEY TAKES ENTIRE BLAME

Assumes Full Responsibility For Success or Failure of Shipbuilding Program.

OUTLOOK IS HOPEFUL

Tells Senate Committee But One Vessel Has Been Finished to Date But Prospects For Future Are Brighter.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Chairman Hurley of the shipping board, testifying at the senate commerce committee's investigation, shouldered full responsibility for the success or failure of the government's shipbuilding program.

Called as the first witness Mr. Hurley admitted that there have been delays, but declared that the recent reorganization of the board's emergency fleet corporation for the first time gives the chairman of the board proper authority and fixes responsibility where it belongs. "The dual organization of the board and the corporation," he said, "has been done away with and the present general manager of the corporation answers directly to the chairman."

Accepts Blame If Plans Fail.

After testifying that he personally approved and accepted all ships contracts as president of the emergency fleet corporation, Mr. Hurley was questioned by Senator Harding.

"All the finances of this big program rest in your hands."

"Yes, sir."

"Not in the hands of the shipping board?"

"No, sir."

"Then, if the whole thing fails, it will be your fault?"

"Absolutely," said Hurley firmly.

New Legislation Not Needed.

"The present organization," Mr. Hurley said, "is the only way that ships can be built. We do not need additional legislation. If the head of the institution does not build ships it is because of his inefficiency and not because of faults of the organization."

From Mr. Hurley and from John A. Donald, who has been a member of the board since its creation, the committee drew a long story of the troubles of the board and the fleet corporation starting with the row at the outset between William Denman, first chairman of the board, and Major General Goethals, first general manager of the fleet corporation.

SLAV PEACE TERMS REJECTED

Lenine Recalls Delegates, Is Report—Defied By Ukrainians.

London, Dec. 22.—An Exchange Telegram dispatch from Petrograd asserts it is unofficially reported that the Germans have refused the Russian peace terms and that the bolshevik delegation has been recalled to Petrograd.

The decision, if accurately reported, does not mean resumption of hostilities on the Russian front at once, as complete stoppage of all fighting for a month has already been agreed upon by terms of the armistice.

Petrograd, Dec. 22.—Former Czar Nicholas and his family are to be permitted to seek haven in some other country than Russia.

The province of Ukraine has formally rejected the bolshevik ultimatum and in return demanded full recognition of Ukraine's independence.

Bolshevik representatives, it was stated, declared an agreement was possible provided Ukraine declared her intention not to lend aid to General Kaledine and his Cossack revolt.

SUSPEND WEEK TO SAVE FUEL

Request Is Made of Factories in Michigan.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Fuel supplies in Michigan have reached such a low ebb that Administrator W. K. Prudden has asked manufacturers in that state to suspend operations of industrial plants from midnight tonight until midnight December 29. The only exceptions are factories making war munitions needed for prompt shipment.

Mr. Prudden's request was contained in telegrams sent after a conference here with Fuel Administrator Garfield.

"A patriotic response and adaptation of within request may obviate issuing positive orders covering a longer period," the message said.

\$2,000,000 More for Belgium.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Two million dollars more loaned to Belgium brought the total of American credits to that country to \$60,900,000. Credits to all Allied countries now aggregate \$3,887,900,000.

Collision of Planes in Midair.

Ft. Worth, Texas, Dec. 22.—One officer and two cadets of the Canadian Royal Flying corps were killed instantly when the two airplanes in which the men were flying collided in midair. The aviators were flying at a height of several hundred feet when the crash came, throwing the machines to the ground. The dead are: Second Lieut. R. G. Genner, Kingston, Ont., Cadet G. A. Baker, Kent, England and Cadet A. Eden, Kingston, Jamaica. The three came from the British aviation training fields in Toronto.

Uric Acid Poisoning!

The most eminent physicians recognize that uric acid stored up in the system is the cause of rheumatism, that this uric acid poison is present in the joints, muscles, or nerves. By experimenting and analysis at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute in Buffalo, N. Y., Dr. Pierce discovered a combination of native remedies that he called Anuric—which drives out the uric acid from the system, and in this way the pain, swelling and inflammation subside. If you are a sufferer from rheumatism, backache, pains here or there, you can obtain Anuric at any drug store and get relief from the pains and ills brought about by uric acid; or send Dr. Pierce 10c. for trial pkg. Anuric which you will find many times more potent than lithia and eliminates uric acid as hot water melts sugar. A short trial will convince you.

Anuric is a regular insurance and life-saver for all big meat eaters and those who deposit lime-salts in their joints. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets for the liver and bowels have been favorably known for nearly 50 years.

A PROMINENT ST. PAUL WOMAN.

St. Paul, Minn.—"There is not a medicine on the market that can compare with Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I was never very strong and after the birth of my little girl, about four years ago, I was in a very serious condition. I could scarcely move, I was in such a weakened state. I could not get out of my bed. I just thought I never would get well again. I began taking 'Favorite Prescription' and most heartily endorse its use."—Mrs. EDNA McCLELLAN, 28 Thompson Ave.

PACKERS WITHHOLD RECORDS

Swift and Co. of Chicago Refuse To Give Information.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Swift & Co. of Chicago have refused to deliver to the Federal Trade commission records desired by the commission in its investigation of the packing industry and drastic action will be taken in court to force their production. Francis J. Heney announced at the resumption of the commission's inquiry.

It was said that when the commission's investigators went to Chicago they received only evasive replies from the officers of Swift & Co., and that direct demand for the records had been refused. To obtain the papers which relate to the ownership of the Chicago stockyards and other details of the meat industry the commission will go into a federal court and ask an order compelling the company to produce them.

WANTED HORSES for U.S.A.

Geldings, 5 to 9 Yrs., 1100 to 1600. No Light Grays. Mares 8 to 9 Yrs. CASH PAID.

M. S. Jacobson

At Benson's Barn, Brainerd, Minn. All horses must be perfectly sound.

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Let Your Home Breathe a Real Welcome on this Day of Rejoicing



We have the finest of art subjects to decorate the walls of your home or that of your friend you may wish to remember this Christmas.

We frame suitably and artistically photographs and the familiar home scenes.

We have mouldings, mirrors, nut bowls, fruit bowls, candle sticks and many other accessories most pleasing for Christmas gifts.

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Toys, Dolls, Games, Books, Game Boards, Drums, Pianos, Trunks, Washing Sets, Toy Furniture, Doll Beds, Blackboards, Sleds, Doll Buggies, Go-Carts, Toy Wagons of Iron and Wood, Etc.

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Special Bargains Every Day

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WANTED—Kitchen girl Ransford hotel. 1836-165tf

WANTED—Two kitchen girls at West's restaurant. 1844-167tf-w1

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Ground floor office, Nettleton. 1784-151tf

FOR RENT—Five room furnished house. 604 Oak street N. E. 1685-127tf

FOR RENT—Furnished room, suitable for two gentlemen. 220 N. Broadway. 1691-128tf

FOR RENT—Eight room house at 1306 Norwood street. Enquire at 1316 Norwood St. 1855-164tf

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Apply 318½ South 6th St. 1855-171tf

FOR RENT—Modern house, six rooms and bath, with garage. Call 667-W, 521 Holly street. 1845-167tf

FOR RENT—House at 213 N. 7th street. Modern except heat. Inquire F. A. Farrar, First National bank. 1847-171tf

FOR RENT—One 3-room flat, partly furnished. One 2-room flat. Two houses \$8.00 and \$12.00 per month. George H. Gardner. 1845-167tf

FOR RENT—Steam heated flat for light housekeeping. Also furnished rooms. Hayes block, over Best Theatre. Phone 460-J. 1848-168tf

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Team horses, good delivery team, weighing 1200 each. Koop Mercantile. 1814-159tf

FOR SALE—One No. 7 Radiant Home hard coal burner. H. W. Linnemann. Inquire at store. 1748-141tf

FOR SALE—Or will trade for Brainerd city property or land, a garage building 30x90 feet in Stewartville, Minn. Mrs. H. D. Eagle. 1107 Norwood St. 1761-144tf

FOR SALE—High power and geared racing roadster. Just the thing for some fellow who wants speed. Cheap for cash. Inquire or address "M." Dispatch. 1813-158tf

MISCELLANEOUS

SEWING WANTED—407 S. 7th St. 1852-17013

LOST—Crank to bus between town and Northeast Brainerd. Please return to Johnson. 1854-170tf

CAPS CHANGED—Grey cap by mistake at Masonic rooms Thursday evening. Call secretary Chamber of Commerce. 1853-170tf

Typewriters for rent to students or business firms. Good Underwoods and L. C. Smiths. Typewriter ribbons and carbon paper for sale. Little Falls Business College.

ITALY STANDS FIRM

Nation Takes Strong Position Against Separate Peace.

Will Not Take Any Action Not Loyal To Allies, Says Deputy Giolitti in Speech.

Rome, Dec. 22.—Deputy Giolitti announced in the chamber of deputies, in the course of a speech, that Italy will never support a separate Italian peace or take any action not loyal to the Allies.

M. Giolitti is one of the most prominent political leaders in Italy, and such a statement as the above from him is of tremendous significance, particularly in view of the fact it was Giolitti who was foremost leader of Italy's entrance in the war with the Allies.

M. Giolitti at the outbreak of the war favored Italy's acceptance of the promises made by Germany and Austria on her warring on England and the Allies. From this he has been held to be strongly pro-German.

M. Giolitti has a strong following in Italy, and such an announcement as the one above from such a leader means practically complete harmony in Italy's determination to wage war unceasingly against the Central powers.

OLD-TIME GOLD CURE—DRINK HOT TEA!

Get a small package of Hamburg Bread Tea, or as the German folks call it, "Hamburger Brat Thee," at any pharmacy. Take a tablespoonful of the tea, put a cup of boiling water upon it, pour through a sieve and drink a teacup full at any time during the day or before retiring. It is the most effective way to break a cold and cure grip, as it opens the pores of the skin, relieving congestion. Also loosens the bowels, thus breaking up a cold.

Try it the next time you suffer from a cold or the grip. It is inexpensive and entirely vegetable, therefore safe and harmless.

RUB RHEUMATISM FROM STIFF, ACHING JOINTS

Rub Soreness from joints and muscles with a small trial bottle of old St. Jacobs Oil

Stop "dosing" Rheumatism. It's pain only; not one case in fifty requires internal treatment. Rub soothing, penetrating "St. Jacobs Oil" right on the "tender spot," and by the time you say Jack Robinson—out comes the rheumatic pain. "St. Jacobs' Oil" is a harmless rheumatism cure which never disappoints and doesn't burn the skin. It takes pain, soreness and stiffness from aching joints, muscles and bones; stops sciatica, lumbago, backache, neuralgia. Limber up! Get a 25 cent bottle of old-time, honest "St. Jacobs' Oil" from any drug store, and in a moment you'll be free from pains, aches and stiffness. Don't suffer! Rub rheumatism away.